

# 33 UNUSUAL TIPS TO BEING A BETTER WRITER *by James Altucher*

Write whatever you want. Then take out the first paragraph and last paragraph.	Take a huge bowel movement every day. If your body doesn't flow then your brain won't flow.	Bleed in the first line. Make it human.	Don't ask for permission. Never say "in my opinion." We know it's your opinion. You're writing it.	Write A LOT. Practice makes... a little better than you were before.
Read a lot. You can't write without first reading.	Read before you write. Very high-level work to get in the zone and lift your game up.	Coffee. No coffee, no creativity.	Break the laws of physics. There's no time in text. Nothing has to go in order.	Have a shocking title.
Be Honest. Tell people the stuff they all think but nobody ever says.	Don't Hurt Anyone. Don't be a bad guy.	<i>Sleep eight hours a day.</i>	Be opinionated. Nobody cares about all the things you don't have strong opinions on.	Take out every other sentence. Or something like that.
Steal. (Piggyback off popular topics.)	Make people cry. Make them feel the potent moments.	<i>Relate to people.</i>	Time heals all wounds. Write about the hard stuff from the past.	Risk. Don't stop writing until you're afraid to hit publish.
Be funny. First rule of funny: ugly people are funny. Make yourself as ugly as possible.	Use a lot of periods. Forget commas and semicolons.	<i>Have lots of ideas.</i>	Don't write if you're upset at someone. Then the person you are upset at becomes your audience.	Write with the same voice you talk in.
Deliver value with every sentence. Even in a tweet. Else, be quiet.	Take what everyone thinks and explore the opposite.	Write every day. Writing is spiritual practice. You are diving inside of yourself and cleaning out the toxins.	The last line needs to go BOOM!	Don't be afraid of what people think. For each person you worry about, deduct 1% in quality.
Use "said" instead of any other word. Don't use "he suggested" or "he bellowed".	Paint. Or draw. Keep exercising other creative muscles.	Let it sleep. Whatever you are working on, sleep on it.	<b>WANT MORE TIPS? GET THE FIRST 2 CHAPTERS OF MY BOOK "THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO PUBLISHING YOUR BESTSELLER BOOK" AT <a href="http://bit.ly/twofreechapters">BIT.LY/TWOFREECHAPTERS</a></b>	